

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A URL processing system, comprising:
a first web server adapted to receive a request for a first URL and return a message associated with the first URL request, the first URL identifying a first IP address of the first web server according to a domain name system;
a file server associated with and accessible by the first web server, the file server adapted to store a plurality of files corresponding to a plurality of URLs, the plurality of URLs associated with a plurality of IP addresses, a first file of the plurality of files is identified by ~~associated with~~ the first URL request and ~~accessed~~ contains a first destination ~~second IP~~ address of a first destination server, the first web server returning the first destination ~~second IP~~ address as part of the message in response to the first URL request; and
a second web server associated with the file server, the second web server adapted to receive a request to alter the first destination ~~second IP~~ address within the first file to modify the association between the first URL and the first destination ~~second IP~~ address of the first destination server, wherein the request to alter the association between the first URL and the first destination ~~second IP~~ address is provided through a domain management interface having a process for authenticating a user's right to modify contents of the first file.
2. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 1, wherein a domain name server within the domain name system associates the first URL with the first IP address for the first web server after the request to alter is completed.
3. (Currently amended) The URL processing system of claim 1, wherein the file server stores the plurality of files in a directory format organized

~~according to with~~ names of the plurality of files, the names comprising URL data ~~associated with identifying the URLs designated for URL forwarding associated with the IP addresses.~~

4. (Original) The URL processing system of claim 3, wherein the URL data comprise domain names and the directory organizes the plurality of files according to alphabetic ordering of the domain names.

5. (Original) The URL processing system of claim 3, wherein the plurality of files are stored in a common file space of an array of hard disks.

6. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 1, wherein the first file includes advertising information specifying whether advertising is to be added to the response to the first URL request, the first destination server adding advertising to the response according to the advertising information.

7. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 6, wherein the advertising is provided in a frame of a framed web page.

8. (Currently amended) The URL processing system of claim 6, wherein advertising is selectively added or not added according to the advertising information.

9. (Currently amended) The URL processing system of claim 1, wherein the first destination server returns the response without adding advertising in response to information in the first file.

10. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 1, wherein the domain management interface includes a browser.

11. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 1, wherein the domain management interface includes a browser having an active domain name designated in the browser, wherein URL forwarding is selected through a hyperlink.

12. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 1, wherein the second web server is a registrar web server.

13. (Currently amended) The URL processing system of claim 1, wherein when the second web server alters the first destination ~~second IP~~ address within the first file to modify the association between the first URL and the first destination ~~second IP~~ address of the first destination server, no message is communicated to a domain name system.

14. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 13, wherein the first file includes advertising information specifying whether advertising is to be added to the response to the first URL request, the first destination server adding advertising to the response according to the advertising information.

15. (Currently Amended) The URL processing system of claim 13, wherein the domain management interface includes a browser having an active domain name designated in the browser, wherein URL forwarding is selected for the active domain name through a hyperlink.

16. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 13, wherein the second web server is a registrar web server.

17. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 1, wherein the response is a web page stored on the first destination server.

18. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 17, wherein the first file includes advertising information specifying whether advertising is to be added to the response to the first URL request, the first destination server adding advertising to the response according to the advertising information.

19. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 18, wherein the domain management interface includes a browser having an active domain name designated in the browser, wherein URL forwarding is selected through a hyperlink.

20. (Previously presented) The URL processing system of claim 19, wherein the second web server is a registrar web server.